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## **Talks Continue to Resolve Voting ID Requirements**

(Phoenix, Ariz. - July 1, 2005) Attorney General Terry Goddard today commended President Ken Bennett, Speaker Jim Weirs, Representative Russell Pearce and Secretary of State Jan Brewer for meeting to discuss what identification will be required at the polls.

"We had a productive meeting," Goddard said. "We made significant progress and are continuing to exchange language to ensure the will of the voters expressed in Proposition 200 is met and every Arizona resident who wants to exercise their constitutional right to vote can do so. While I am pleased we have started discussions, the voting procedures will not be final until Secretary of State Brewer, the Attorney General, and the Governor agree on language. Unfortunately, the Governor was not invited last night's meeting. If rules are going to be adopted to implement Proposition 200 before the next election, it only makes sense to invite the Governor to the table."

Goddard added that he wants input from the Arizona county recorders because they have to implement the procedures, and from the constituency groups like the Arizona League of Women Voters to ensure their concerns have been addressed.

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